COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Energy and Environmental Affairs, to which was referred House Bill No. 1280, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

1	Delete the title and insert the following:
2	A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning state and local administration.
3	Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
4	SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The
5	environmental quality service council established by IC 13-13-7-1
6	shall study and make findings and recommendations concerning
7	the following:
8	(1) Whether state law should:
9	(A) require; or
10	(B) encourage through incentives;
11	the construction and renovation of public buildings and
12	structures with the goal of achieving particular energy and
13	environmental design ratings.
14	(2) If the findings under subdivision (1) are in the affirmative:
15	(A) which energy and environmental design ratings
16	systems should be used;
17	(B) which public buildings and structures should be
18	covered;
19	(C) whether a price preference should apply for purchases
20	of equipment that is compliant with particular energy
21	ratings;

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1	(D) if a price preference referred to in clause (C) applies:
2	(i) the appropriate percentage of the price preference;
3	and
4	(ii) whether current law adequately takes into account a
5	price preference in the determination of the successful
6	bid for sale of the equipment;
7	(E) whether the energy and environmental design ratings
8	to be used should take into account the use of certified or
9	noncertified wood from Indiana;
0	(F) if the findings under clause (E) are in the affirmative
1	which organization's wood certification standards should
2	be used;
3	(G) estimates of the extent of realistic projected energy
4	savings;
.5	(H) estimates of the period over which additional
6	construction costs are offset by energy cost savings; and
7	(I) any other issues the council considers appropriate.
8	(b) The environmental quality service council shall include its
9	findings and recommendations developed under subsection (a) in
20	the council's 2008 final report to the legislative council.
21	(c) This SECTION expires January 1, 2009.
22	SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.
	(Reference is to HB 1280 as printed January 25, 2008.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 1.

Senator Gard, Chairperson

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